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Dear Parents, Pupils, Staff, Governors and Friends of the school,


It is finally March, the daffodils are out, but the sun hasn't got the memo yet! It will be great to welcome you in in the next weeks for parents' meetings. Reminder to all parents who have not yet signed up, please contact your class teacher via email or in person.

Soon we will be on the search for a new parent governor to join our team. Do have a think about whether you'd like to get involved. It's a great way to shape the future of the school and be a vital part of the action.




Have a lovely weekend,

Tamsin

<p>NHSA Quiz Night - Friday 15th March.</p> 	<p>Come along, have fun and support the school! You should have received a flyer in bookbags today. Tickets are on sale from our online shop - follow this link https://new-hinksey-school-association.sumupstore.com or scan the QR code (I've attached it here as a picture, hopefully you can add it on the newsletter)</p> <p>If you're having any issues with tickets, please email Suz on newhinkseysa@outlook.com</p>
<p>OxTrail Event</p>	<p>A whopping £1320 has been raised. What an amazing effort! Thank you so much on behalf of Sobell House. Any further donations will be kept by NH to buy materials to decorate our ox. For more information about the event, click on www.oxtrail2024.</p> <p>If you are in Oxford city centre over the weekend you can see Korky Paul (Winnie the Witch illustrator) painting his ox (details https://wildinart.co.uk/korky-paul-to-paint-oxtrail-sculpture).</p> <p><i>Thank you so much Ms Potier for organising this!</i></p>
<p>World Book Day</p>	<p>If children want to dress up on Thursday 7th March as a book character, they are welcome to. No pressure. There are some ideas with this newsletter. Each class will be celebrating books throughout the day.</p>

<p>Puffins</p> 	<p>Another hard working week in Puffins. The Reception children are learning some lovely poems to perform at our class assembly on Friday 22nd March at 9.15. They have learned all the sounds we will be covering this term and are now working on their independent writing skills using their fred fingers to practice, practice practice. In maths they have been looking at what groups of 9 and 10 look like and being able to say how many they see in a group without counting! The Year 1 children have been learning all about what counting in 2's and 5's looks like when you use objects. Some of the children had a go at writing a 'how we learn to count in 2's and 5's' to a visiting imaginary alien! The children have been voting on their favourite books this week so that we can have some book time with favourites next week for World Book Day. Please do try and send your child's favourite book into school next Thursday (named) so that we can</p>
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Living life in all its fullness.

	share these and create some inspiration for some projects we have planned. We are in need of junk modelling! Please save any cardboard boxes or tubes (no bigger than a cereal box) and bring them along. The children love making things. We can't accept toilet rolls but kitchen rolls or larger cardboard tubes are really welcome. Thank you so much to all the parents who helped out on this week's muddy and very happy welly walk. The Puffins had a wonderful time and it was good to get out and about.
Owls 	This week we have been learning how to write Diamante poems. We described the sea using verbs and adjectives then followed the rules to create our diamond shapes. They are on the wall for you to see at Parent's Evening on the 4th and 13th. We have all used the Chrome Books for the first time. We have practiced logging in and have begun to create our E-books on famous people. In Art we looked at the work of Joan Eardley and created our own versions using a collage background with graffiti and pastel figures. Thank you for the wonderful projects about islands which everyone has enjoyed sharing with the class, they are all fantastic!
Doves 	This week, in English we've been planning and writing persuasive letters, using all the grammar techniques we've learnt this year. In maths we've been doing calculations using money and thinking about number using place value. In Geography we've been labelling countries on maps of the world and learning key facts about them. In French we revised French numbers and counting to help us with learning to tell the time en français. We also did some reading and times table tests ahead of parents evening. In PE made ocean themed dance routines. I'm looking forward to seeing almost everyone on Monday evening for parents evening.
Kingfishers 	We have been identifying our next steps for Maths and English by doing further assessments this week. In science we investigated materials that could create colour and texture effects in shadows for theatre, including dragon's breath! We shared and reviewed our Harry Potter E-books which are amazing and interactive. Please make sure you see these on the Book Creator site! Don't forget to help your child copy and recite a poem by heart for World Book Day next week. We will be making a mobile for a DT project so please can you bring in any empty cereal boxes please.
Dates for your diary	Event
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 15 th March	NHSA Quiz night
Monday 18 th March	Internet Safety workshops

ASC and Morning Club bills were sent home today. Please pay by Friday 15 March. Thank you.

Oxford RFC touch rugby Spring 2024

Has your child been inspired by the 6 Nations? Oxford RFC is running touch rugby sessions throughout the sprint term, to allow primary aged boys and girls to experience rugby in a safe and fun environment. Sessions are held every Tuesday from 6:30pm - 7:30pm at Oxford Rugby Club, North Hinksey, OX2 0NA. Sessions are £3 per week with the first 2 sessions free. We welcome children of all abilities to join us. For more information please contact David on enquiries@oxfordrfc.com.